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A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE MAYOR **SUPPORT** OF AND COUNCIL'S GOVERNOR'S PROPOSED BAN ON VIDEO POKER IN THE STATE OF GEORGIA; AND

WHEREAS, Governor Roy Barnes has expressed his concern regarding the proliferation of video poker in the State of Georgia; and

FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, Governor Roy Barnes has expressed his desire to ban video poker in the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the State Senate approved a bill banning casino-type video machines last week; and

WHEREAS, video poker is considered a disease and has reached epidemic proportions in some states; and

WHEREAS, video poker machines have been coming into the State of Georgia in an alarming rate, and with them, unscrupulous business people; and

WHEREAS, law enforcement agencies in the state have advocated the ban of video poker in an effort to rid the state of this cancer that preys on poor innocent people; and

WHEREAS, the banning of video poker would send a message to the Gaming Industry that certain types of amusement is not wanted in the State of Georgia.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA that the Mayor and City Council of Atlanta, Georgia go on record as fully supporting the proposed Ban of Video Poker in the State of Georgia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Municipal Clerk is directed to send (fax or Priority Mail) a copy of this resolution to the Fulton County Delegation.

AND FINALLY BE IT RESOLVED that all resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

> **ADOPTED** by the Council APPROVED by the Mayor

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Konda Daughin Johnson Municipal Clerk, CMO

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